

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

The Conundrum

IN finding itself a new House of Commons leader (Mr Gaitskell) the Labour Parliamentary Party has at the same time lost one of its oldest and most efficient office bearers (Mr Morrison). Which means that in solving satisfactorily the problem of replacing Mr Attlee, the Party has inherited the headache of finding a suitable deputy leader.

While the election of Mr Gaitskell as Party chief was generally expected, the appearance of Mr Morrison at the foot of the poll was, on the face of things, a shock. Yet the explanation may well be that a number of Morrison's potential supporters turned from him in order to make certain there should be no second ballot — a ballot which could easily have meant the deputy leader winning at the expense of popular wishes.

The followers of Mr Bevan knew their candidate could not win, and that their only chance of preventing Gaitskell from obtaining the leadership was for their preferential votes to be cast for Morrison in a second ballot. In circumventing such a development, several Socialist MPs ironically helped Bevan to a clear second place in the poll.

Mr Morrison's disappearance from the front Opposition benches in the House of Commons is something of a tragedy for the Socialists. His voice in debate cannot hope to carry the same weight and authority. Indeed it may well be that Mr Morrison will decide to withdraw from the political scene in view of his eclipse on Wednesday.

The intriguing conundrum is, who will succeed to the office of deputy leader? Mr Bevan, having polled nearly half as many votes as Mr Gaitskell for the top job, might feel that he is morally entitled to the position. Yet nothing could be more incongruous; it would be a classic example of the lion lying down with the lamb, and from a Party point of view, it would be a disastrous experiment.

Because Mr Gaitskell was elevated to high office mainly by MPs representing the trade unions, it can be confidently forecast that they will make quite sure that no Bevanites will succeed to the deputy leadership. Which considerably narrows the field for candidacy.

If the selection rested on length and value of service to the Party, Mr James Griffiths, former Colonial Secretary, would have the strongest claim. But Mr Griffiths is already 65 and fully conscious of the new desire within the Party for younger men to be given the chance of resuscitating the parliamentary fortunes of the Socialists. It is this which may deprive Mr Griffiths of the office.

A fascinating possibility is Dr Edith Summerskill. She is able, moderate in policy and possesses a strong personality. She measures up successfully on all counts, save that her elevation to such a position in the Labour Party hierarchy would create what is probably an unthinkable possibility—a woman as Prime Minister of Britain!

After Mr Griffiths and Dr Summerskill, there appears to remain only Mr Harold Wilson as a suitable candidate for office. Yet he is, at least in the eyes of the trade unionists, tainted; he is an ex-Bevanite. Mr Wilson's talents as a politician and a minister of the Crown have been long proven, but his alliance with Bevan lost him goodwill of the rank and file and the handicap may be too much for him now to overcome.

BACK TO THE VETO AGAIN

Russia Kills US Resolution On Japan

THIRD TIME IN 3 DAYS

New York, Dec. 15.

For the third time in three days the Soviet Union today vetoed in the Security Council a proposal to admit Japan to the United Nations.

At the same time the Security Council rejected a Soviet counter-bid which would have recommended the admission of both Outer Mongolia and Japan at next year's regular session of the General Assembly. The vote on that was only one in favour — the Soviet Union — with the remaining 10 members of the Council abstaining.

Mr Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, declared that his negative vote "should not be viewed and cannot be viewed as a vote against the admission of Japan at the 11th regular session of the General Assembly."

Britain's Gift To Singapore

London, Dec. 15.

Britain today presented Singapore with a piece of stone from the fabric of the Victoria Tower of the Houses of Parliament.

The stone, elaborately carved in the form of a Tudor Rose, is over 100 years old. It will be incorporated in the Legislative Assembly building of the Crown Colony.

The presentation was made in "Black Rocks Garden" at the foot of the Victoria Tower, by Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd to Mr David Marshall, Singapore's Chief Minister.

Mr Lennox-Boyd said that the stone was a political symbol of the very close and affectionate understanding existing between the British and Singapore peoples.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT
Mr Marshall expressed his appreciation of "this gesture of friendship, especially since it was made at a time when Singapore was seeking a new relationship with the United Kingdom comparable with those democratic traditions which the stone symbolises."

"This stone from the fabric of the mother of Parliaments, which has known 900 years of freedom. We hope that it will last us as long a period of freedom and democracy. We hope that it will symbolise the new relationship, brotherhood and co-operation in democracy for which we are striving today and which we hope will be a reality tomorrow," Mr Marshall declared.

The stone was salvaged from the damage inflicted on the old House of Commons building by Nazi German aircraft during the last world war. — *China Mail Special*.

Violence In Algeria

Algiers, Dec. 15.

Algerian terrorists have killed 12 persons in the past 24 hours, the authorities announced today, but lost 28 dead and 53 prisoners in clashes with French troops.

Governor-General Jacques Soustelle broke off his electoral campaign in Lyons, Eastern France, and returned here by plane early today to cope with the fresh outbreak of violence. — *United Press*.

Huk Chief Killed

Manila, Dec. 15.

A notorious Huk commander known as the "terror of the central plains" in Luzon was killed in an encounter yesterday with army units in Pangasinan Province.

Commander Sando was killed by a corporal of the 6th Battalion combat team who was given on-the-spot promotion for killing the Huk leader. — *France Press*.

MARSHALL'S TRIUMPH: MAJOR DEMANDS MET

London, Dec. 15.

Colonial Secretary Alan Lennox-Boyd has accepted the major self-government demands of Singapore Chief Minister David Marshall.

Marshall and Lennox-Boyd launched the final round of their negotiations today. The talks wind up tomorrow. "Today's talks with Lennox-Boyd were very happy and promising for the future," Marshall himself said.

"It was a very good omen," the Chief Minister said after a 2½ hour session with Mr Lennox-Boyd. Informed sources went further. They said the agenda for the negotiations had already been completely covered and that the Colonial Secretary accepted Marshall's programme. The Singapore leader said a joint communiqué will be issued tomorrow after the negotiations end. — *United Press*.

NEHRU CREDITED WITH BRINGING ABOUT RUSSIAN VOLTE FACE

New York, Dec. 15.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Prime Minister, personally ordered the withdrawal of Soviet vetoes against 12 non-Communist states which applied for United Nations membership, after intervention by Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, usually reliable sources said at United Nations headquarters today.

These sources said that Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, India's chief representative in the United Nations, called Mr Nehru at the weekend telling of his fear that the proposed 18-nation package deal would founder through the Chinese Nationalist threat to veto Outer Mongolia.

When word of the breakthrough was received in New Delhi after Tuesday's Security Council meeting, Mr Nehru was said to have conferred urgently with Marshall Bulganin—who was then in the Indian capital with his associate, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Communist Party Secretary.

APPEAL ACCEPTED

Mr Nehru was said to have impressed upon Marshal Bulganin India's interest in greater Bandung Conference representation in the United Nations and expressed the hope that Japan will soon be admitted to the United Nations.

Mr Pierson suggested that the Council recess for 10 minutes for the delegates to consider this resolution unopposed.

Mr Pierson said he was "deeply distressed" at the result of the votes taken and he did not think that the Council "should give up at this point."

He thought the Council should try to find a course on which all could agree. The United States resolution had originally been submitted in this form: "The Security Council recommends to the General Assembly that it admit Japan to the United Nations at its 11th regular session."

LEGALITY DOUBT

But when doubts were raised by Sir Leslie Munro of New Zealand and others about the legality of making a decision on a future date, the American delegate, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, accepted the suggestion of the President to vote on his proposal in part.

Stopping the first vote at the words "to the United Nations," Sir Pierson Dixon said he was proposing his resolution because of the doubts expressed by Sir Leslie Munro about the legality of the US draft. — *Reuter*.

Christmas Issue Tomorrow

A bigger-than-ever feature packed special Christmas issue of the China Mail will be published tomorrow.

Don't miss this annual favourite edition of the Saturday Mail which this year runs to 28 pages. For in it are all our regular features as well as a selection of the best Christmas reading available in Fleet Street.

Here are some of the highlights:

- ★ What was the star of Bethlehem? Leading astronomers give their views.
- ★ The Christmas truce of 1914 — a world's strangest story.
- ★ How Christmas cards started.
- ★ How to choose your Christmas wines.
- ★ S. Claus gets an export order from the Commissioner of Customs.
- ★ Gives special Christmas cartoon.

In addition there are: two special Christmas pages for children. And two pages of this season's fashions and home features for women.

And all year regular favourites including Jane Roberts' film reviews, three pages of sports news and views, three pages of local and overseas pictures, comic strips, cartoons, puzzles and a selection of tips for tomorrow's meeting at the Valley — all in the Christmas China Mail.

HK Firm Denied Export Privileges

Washington, Dec. 15.

A Hongkong and an Amsterdam business firm have been denied all US export privileges for allegedly circumventing some US export regulations, the Bureau of Foreign Commerce announced today.

Another Amsterdam firm was suspended for one year for a conspiracy with such matters. Named as companies and persons deprived of export privileges were the Cheung Kam Kee Trading Company and its manager, Cheung Yuk-leung, of Hongkong, and A.M.M. Van De Loover, N.V. and its manager, Antonius M.M. Van De Loover, of Amsterdam.

SUSPENDED

Suspended was Erik Jansen Handelsonderneming and its manager, T. Boelhaert, of Amsterdam, for one year.

The official announcement said in part:

"Bureau of Foreign Commerce charged that during 1951-52, Cheung Van De Loover, and Jansen effected shipments of pharmaceuticals valued at a total of \$28,000 from the United States by causing false statements to be made on export licence applications and shipper's export declarations that the commodities were for ultimate consumption in the Netherlands. Upon their arrival in Amsterdam and Rotterdam, however, the shipments were diverted to Hongkong. — *United Press*.

Muscat Forces Invade Principality Of Oman

Cairo, Dec. 15.

Reports from the Principality of Muscat on the Eastern seaboard of the Arabian peninsula said tonight that Muscat armed forces invaded the neighbouring principality of Oman and occupied its capital, Nazwa.

The ruler of Oman, the Emir Ghaleb, was reported to have fled the capital. The reports said the Muscat forces entered Nazwa today without meeting any resistance. The Muscat flag was hoisted on top of the Nazwa capital and the population's attitude was one of friendly greetings.

The reports added that Ghaleb fled the capital the night before after having disowned his own professions of independence from Muscat. Last week Ghaleb informed the Arab League here that Muscat forces were preparing to invade his territory. He then added that he was prepared to defend his land at any cost.

The dispute between the two principalities originated from Ghaleb's claims that Oman was independent of the Sultanate of Muscat. The Sultanate maintained that Ghaleb and Oman came under its sovereignty. The Sultan of Muscat has been friendly with the British while Ghaleb was reported to have opposed them.

The former Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdel

Firearms Demand By Taxi Drivers

Paris, Dec. 15.

Paris taxi drivers today demanded the right to carry weapons in their cabs after another taxi driver was murdered, the tenth since 1944.

Officials of the cab-drivers' union said the recent murder of taxi driver Gregoire Agnani, an Armenian, was the 290th such attack since 1944.

Cabbies should be given the same rights of defence as cashiers, who are allowed to carry arms at work, the officials said.

Meantime, officials said all Paris cabbies will stop work for a 24-hour period on Saturday, the day for Agnani's funeral. — *France Press*.

West European Fighter Defences To Be Co-Ordinated

Paris, Dec. 15.

The 15-nation Atlantic alliance today approved plans to co-ordinate West European fighter defences to guard against any surprise attack from the East.

NATO's foreign, defence and finance ministers took the decision at a council meeting after being told that Russia had lately opened a new economic and political phase in the cold war that Soviet armed might is greater than ever before.

Fighter defences in West Europe will be co-ordinated under a General Alfred Gruenther, NATO Supreme Commander, in four zones — North, covering Norway and Denmark; Central, covering France, West Germany, the Benelux countries and the United Kingdom; and South, covering the whole Mediterranean area south to the North African coast.

General Gruenther told a press conference after a three-hour afternoon session that he had not asked the council to approve integrated fighter forces or a single radar network under direct SHAPE control because this would at present cut across national lines and sensibilities.

A NEW PHASE

At the opening NATO session earlier today, Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, declared that Russia had deliberately launched a new phase in the cold war. He said the new rigid Soviet line at and since the Geneva foreign ministers' talks had followed a period of "sweetness and light."

The Soviet "threat" had become largely political and economic, mainly aimed at present at the Near and Middle East and South Asia, Mr Dulles said.

Prince Aly Khan Has Operation

Paris, Dec. 15.

Prince Aly Khan, was operated on today at the American hospital in suburban Neuilly, informed sources said. Hospital officials confirmed he was there and said he was "doing well." But they refused to describe the reported operation.

A hospital official said "I am sorry, but we cannot give any information to the press." — *United Press*.

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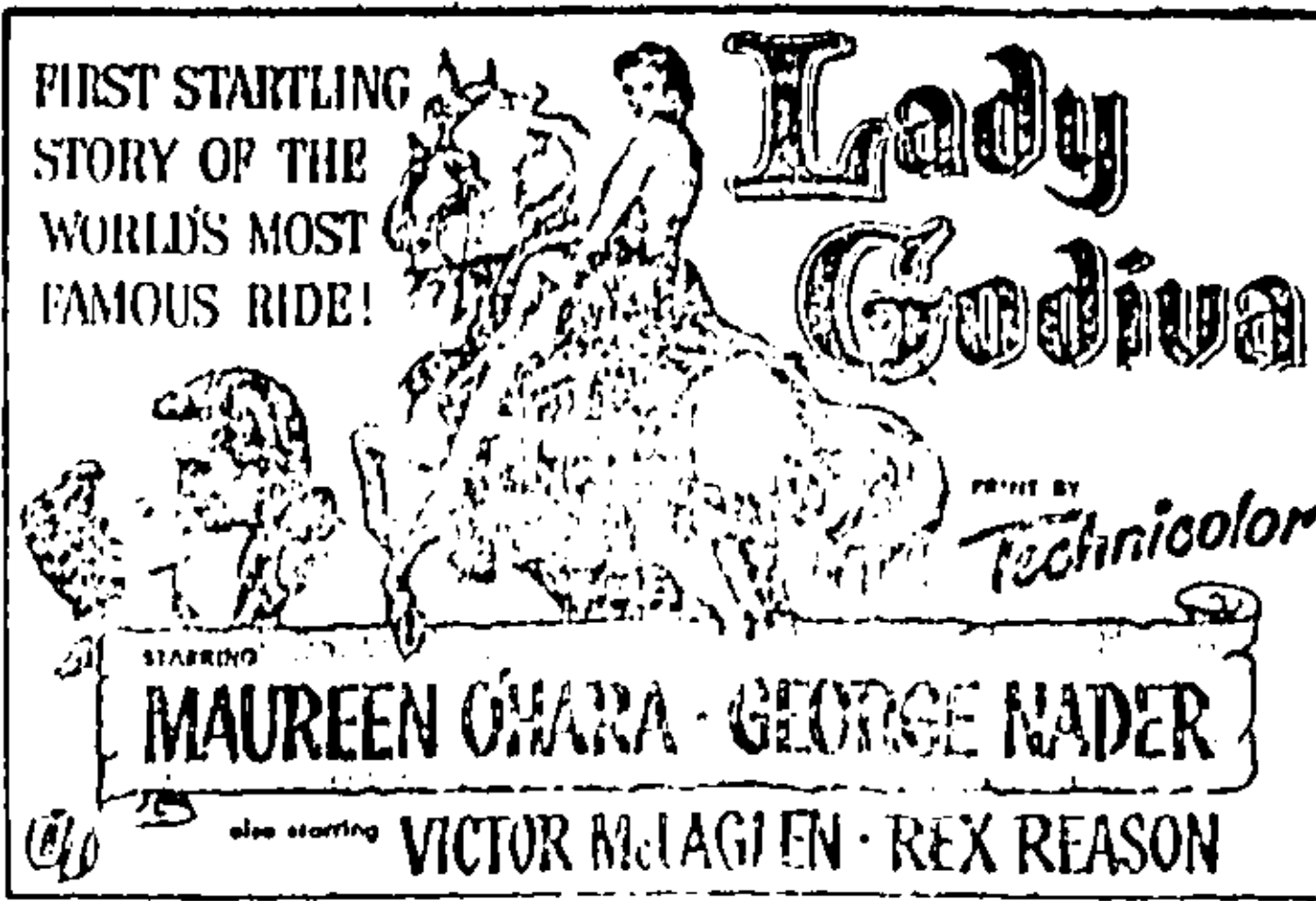


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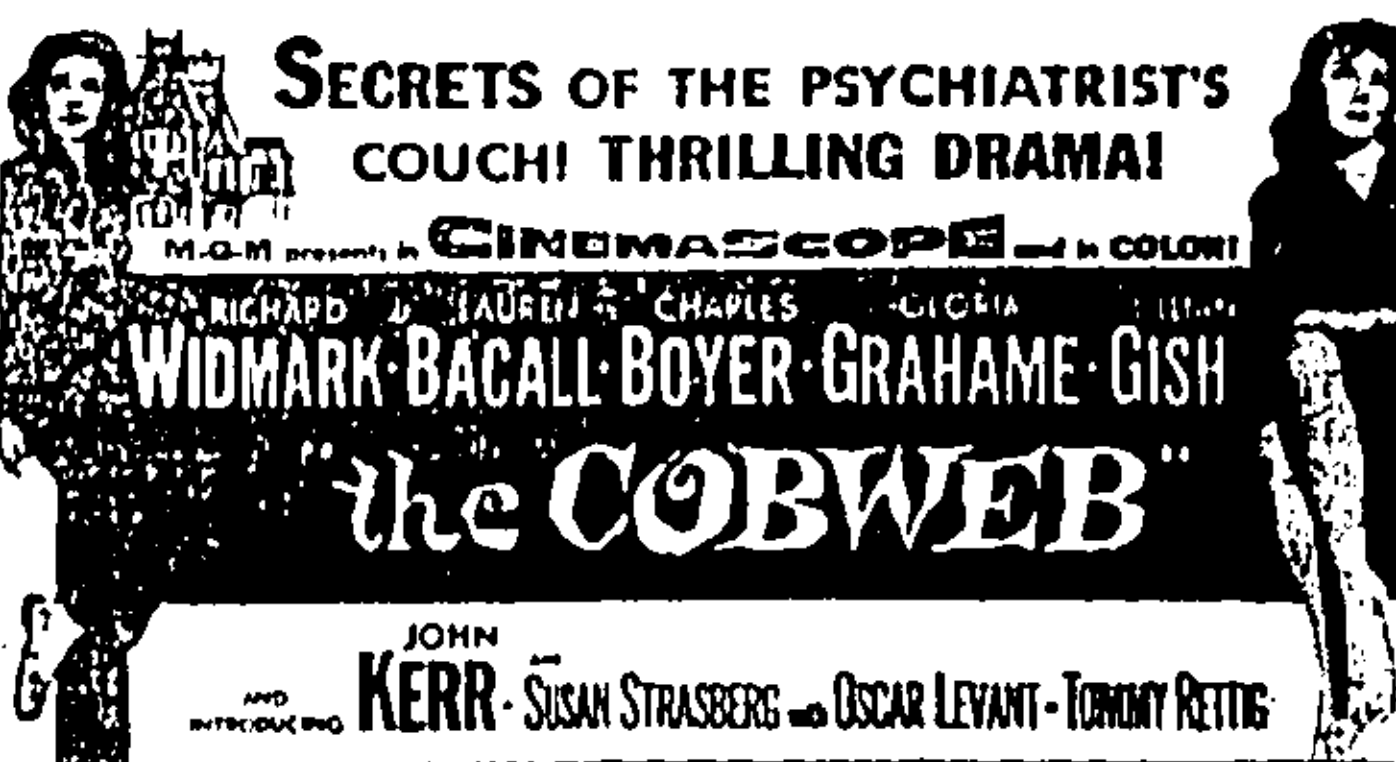
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"LAST TIME I SAW PARIS"	"VALLEY OF THE KINGS"

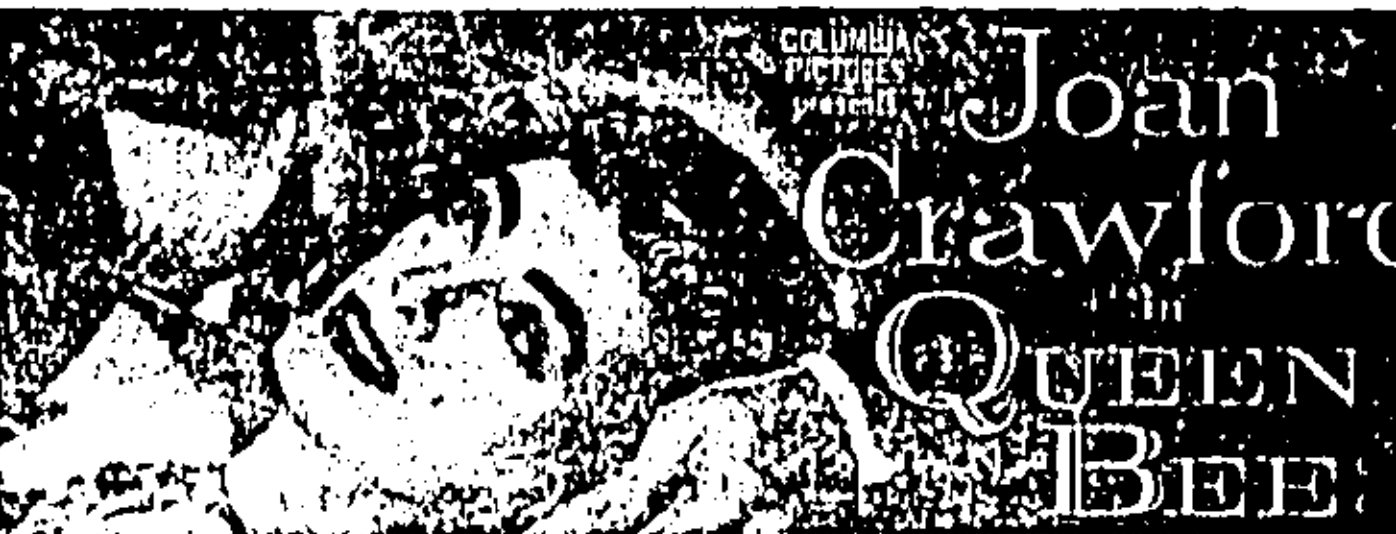
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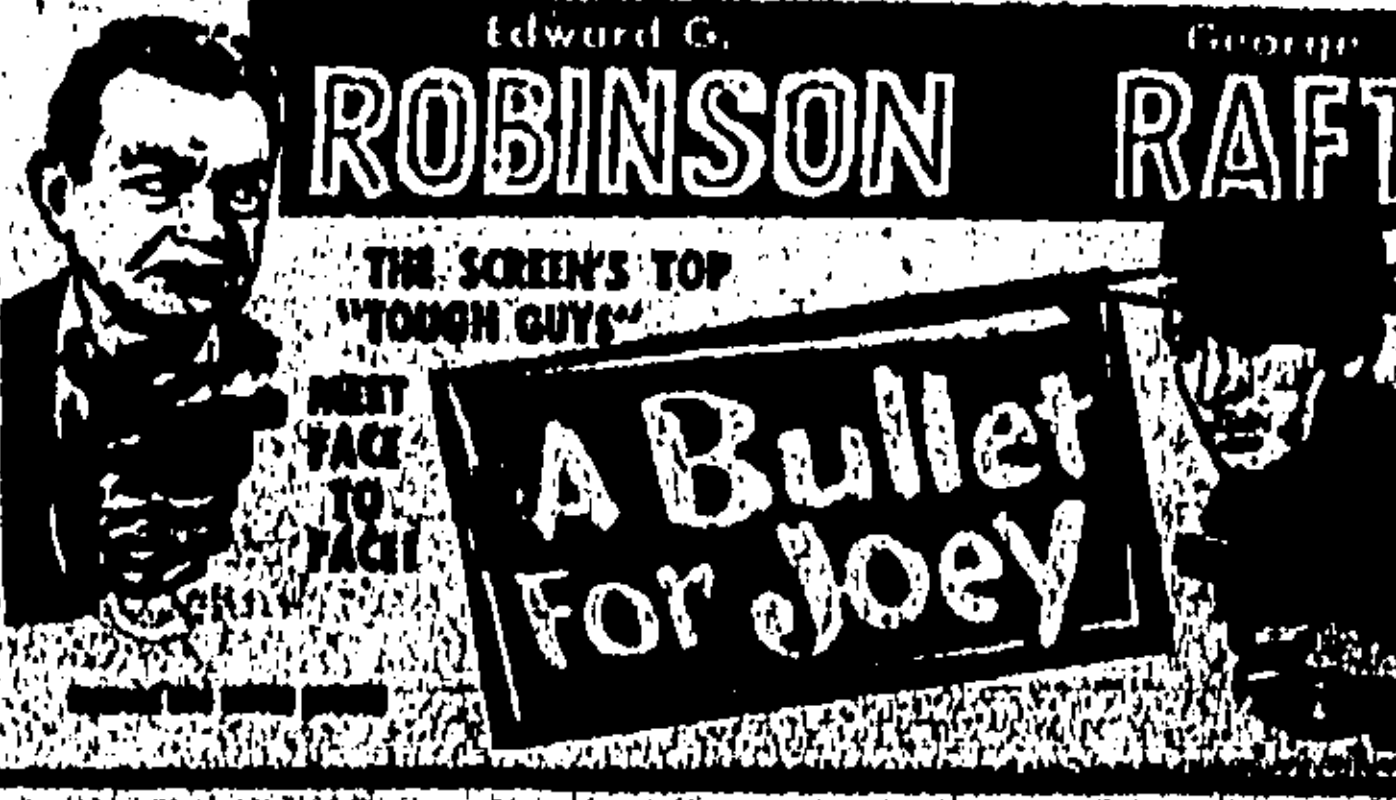


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US Accused Of Violating Repatriation Agreement

Geneva, Dec. 15.

The Chinese Premier and Foreign Minister, Mr Chou En-lai, accused the United States today of violating the Geneva repatriation agreements between the two countries.

The accusation was included in a statement issued by the Chinese Communist Consulate-General in Geneva, site of the Sino-American ambassadorial talks.

Mr Chou's statement which was also published simultaneously in Peking, was a reply to accusations made against the Chinese authorities by the American Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, and other American spokesmen.

The Americans, said the statement, had accused Peking of failing to carry out fully the agreement on the repatriation of civilians reached during the Geneva talks between the ambassadors.

Carried Out

The Chinese authorities had fully carried out the agreement, the statement went on, while it was the United States which had violated it.

The Chinese statement said the "repeated" American charges were "without any foundation", while "it is precisely the Americans who have not fully complied with the agreement and has acted in violation of it."

The statement, issued in the name of the Chinese Foreign Ministry, said: "The American side has failed up to now to furnish our side with a name-list and information concerning all the Chinese in the United States."

The Chinese supplied a name-list and information on Americans in China at the very start of the Geneva ambassadorial talks, it added.

The Chinese statement said the United States Government "indicated that it could not give the Indian Embassy in the United States any assistance" in the task of "finding out the conditions of the Chinese in the United States, to investigate the facts of their encountering obstruction in departure and to assist in their return."

The Indian Embassy was entrusted with this task at the request of China.

Do Not Agree

The Chinese statement continued: "The American side stated that the Indian Embassy in the United States could contact the Chinese residents only if the latter themselves had asked for it. Our side does not agree with this interpretation of the agreement made by the American side, yet since the American side persists in such an attitude, our side naturally cannot give the office of the British Charge d'Affaires in China, entrusted by the United States, more than reciprocal rights."

The statement said the Americans had "no right to complain in this connection against the Chinese side as the situation is of their own making."

It suggested that if the American wished to change this unfortunate situation they should first "furnish our side with a name-list and information concerning all Chinese in the United States and agree to assist the Indian Embassy in taking the initiative to contact them."

The statement, replying to further US accusations, said that Americans imprisoned in China were "Americans who have committed offences against the Chinese law" and that 28 out of 40 of them had been released during the past four months.

The Chinese Government was continuing to "examine the cases individually" of the remaining 14 Americans in prison.

Tidying Up

The statement said the Chinese side at the Geneva ambassadorial talks had clearly stated their intended procedure on this question. "On the other hand, the American side has never informed us how many Chinese are being imprisoned in the United States, nor has it provided us with a list of their names."

The statement also said that American criticisms on the time taken by the Chinese to release "American criminals" was unjustified, since this was a case of Chinese sovereignty re-confirmed by the American side at the talks.

The statement said that since August 1, out of 55 "ordinary Americans in China, all the 18 who applied have been permitted to depart, although there had not yet been a decision on the case of the 37 remaining."

"Affairs in China", with the authorities' help.

The statement said that "on the other hand" 38 out of the 103 Chinese whom the Americans admitted had "long ago applied for permission to depart" from the United States, "have not yet returned to China."

The statement continued: "The American side declared that their departure had been approved but it has never accounted for their addresses nor the reason why they have not returned. What is more, the American side has refused to assist the Indian Embassy in learning about their conditions."

The statement said a recent American regulation that the Chinese students continuing to reside in the United States must obtain "entrance" permits for Taiwan "was an obvious threat directed against those Chinese students who were for the time being unable to return to China."

Outright Violation

This, the statement said, was an "outright violation of the letter and the spirit of the agreement on the return of civilians reached between the two sides."

The statement concluded: "The Chinese Government firmly asks that the American side put a stop to all its acts in violation of the agreement and fully comply with the agreement reached between both sides."

BOMBAY RIOTS

Bombay, Dec. 15.

The Bombay police today arrested 80 people, including two women, after riots outside the Bombay Municipal Corporation buildings.

The rioters, who were demanding that Bombay City be included in an enlarged Maharashtra State, were amongst 400 volunteers who staged a demonstration in front of the Corporation buildings, where the report of the State's reorganisation Commission was being discussed.

The police threw a cordon round the building, and the demonstrators left quietly after the Corporation had adjourned.

Typhoon Changes Course

Manila, Dec. 15.

Typhoon Ruth gained hurricane strength as she moved up North and away from the Philippines, the Weather Bureau forecasting centre here said today.

At 2 a.m. today the powerful typhoon was plotted about 830 miles east-north-east of Legaspi City in South Luzon, generating 100-mph winds. It was moving northeast away from the Philippines, weathermen said.—United Press.

JET DOCTORS

Canberra, Dec. 15.

The Royal Australian Air Force has set up a jet-age school of aviation medicine at Point Cook Station.

Medical officers will be trained in the special physiological problems of high altitude jet flying.—China Mail Special.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

The Japanese Government today decorated Tokichi Matsuo, President of the Japanese Residents Association in New York, with a fifth class Order of Sacred Treasures for his contribution to the welfare of Japanese residents in the United States since 1917.—China Mail Special.

South American Way—At Four



Flowers and fruit make exotic headdresses for two four-year-olds as they do a Latin-American dance at the Royal Albert Hall, London. They were among 1,000 performers from the principal stage dancing schools in the Commonwealth taking part in the National Display of Dancing.—Reuterphoto.

Israel-Arab Solution Must Be Found

London, Dec. 15.

Lord Reading, Minister of State at the British Foreign Office, said tonight in the House of Lords that it was essential to eradicate the hitherto insoluble problem of Arab-Israel relations.

Lord Reading, who was speaking for the British Government in a debate on the Middle East, said that Russian manoeuvres in the Middle East had stressed the dominant need for a vigorous and sustained effort towards a generally acceptable settlement.

"Perpetuation of the present conditions can only mean that tempers will become increasingly frayed, and incidents correspondingly frequent", he said.

"There is always the risk that one day an incident may be staged on one side or the other, upon a scale which approximates so closely to an invasion that the consequences of what was designed merely as an isolated operation may be the outbreak of general hostilities."

Not Wise Policy

In the opinion of Lord Salisbury, Lord President of the Council, the denial of arms to Egypt was "not a wise policy" if the West wished to win Egypt from the Russians.

"The only result is likely to be to force them to lean more and more on the Communist bloc for any arms they want," Salisbury pointed out.

On the other hand, said Lord Salisbury, to supply more arms to Israel would probably push "not only Egypt, but other Arab countries" into the Communist net.

"I believe the wise course is broadly that recommended by Premier Sir Anthony Eden to continue to supply the arms on a very limited scale as before for both sides, and maintain so far as possible the former balance, reserving the right to modify that policy in the light of the situation as it develops."

Lord Salisbury concluded.—France-Press.

HOMESICK COW

Capetown, Dec. 15.

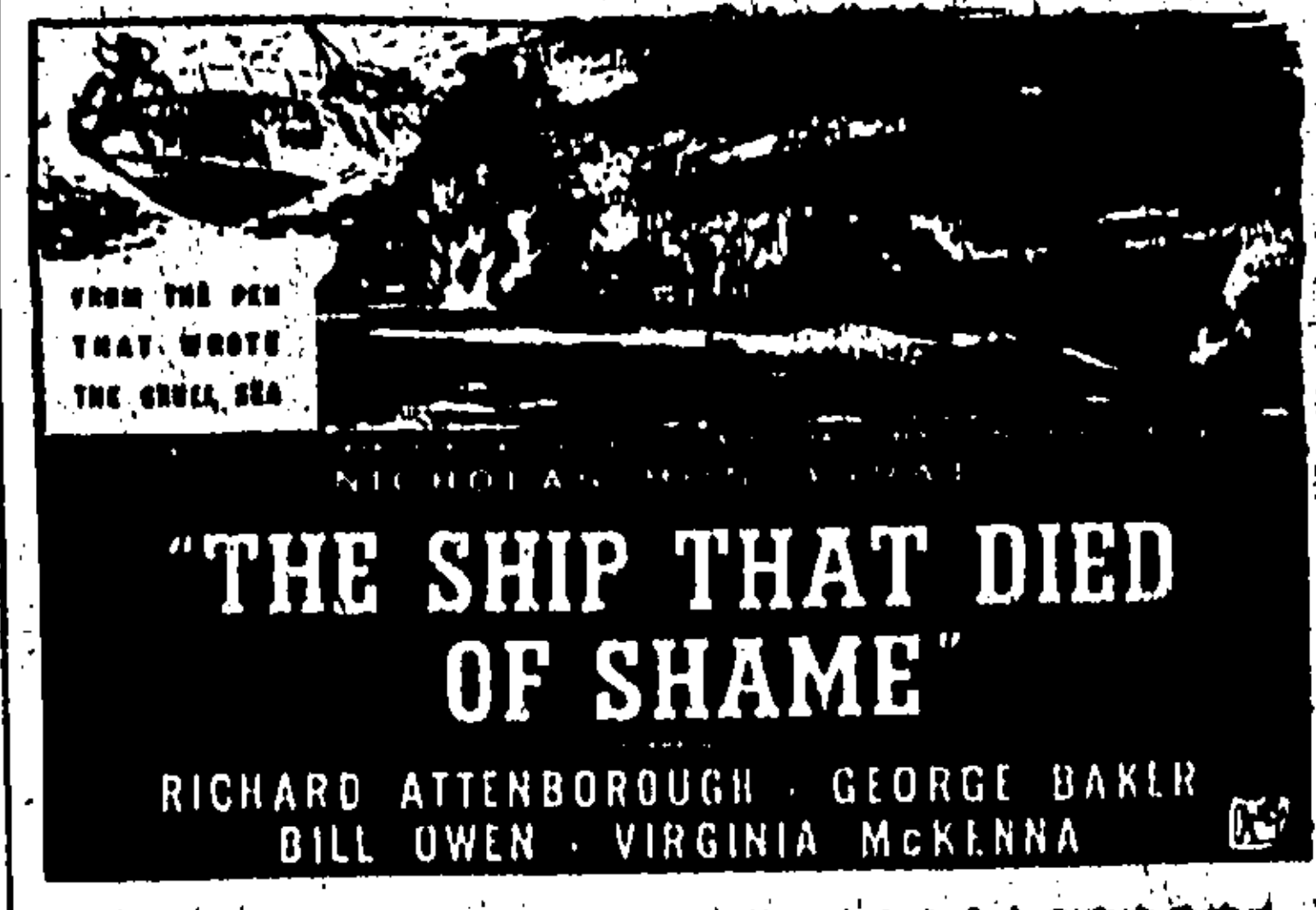
Mr C. C. P. Bergh of Boshards, Transvaal, sold his cow Daisy to a farmer ten miles away on Friday. On Sunday Daisy was back mooing reproachfully through the window.

A deal is a deal, however, and the cow was sent back to her new owner.—China Mail Special.

QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

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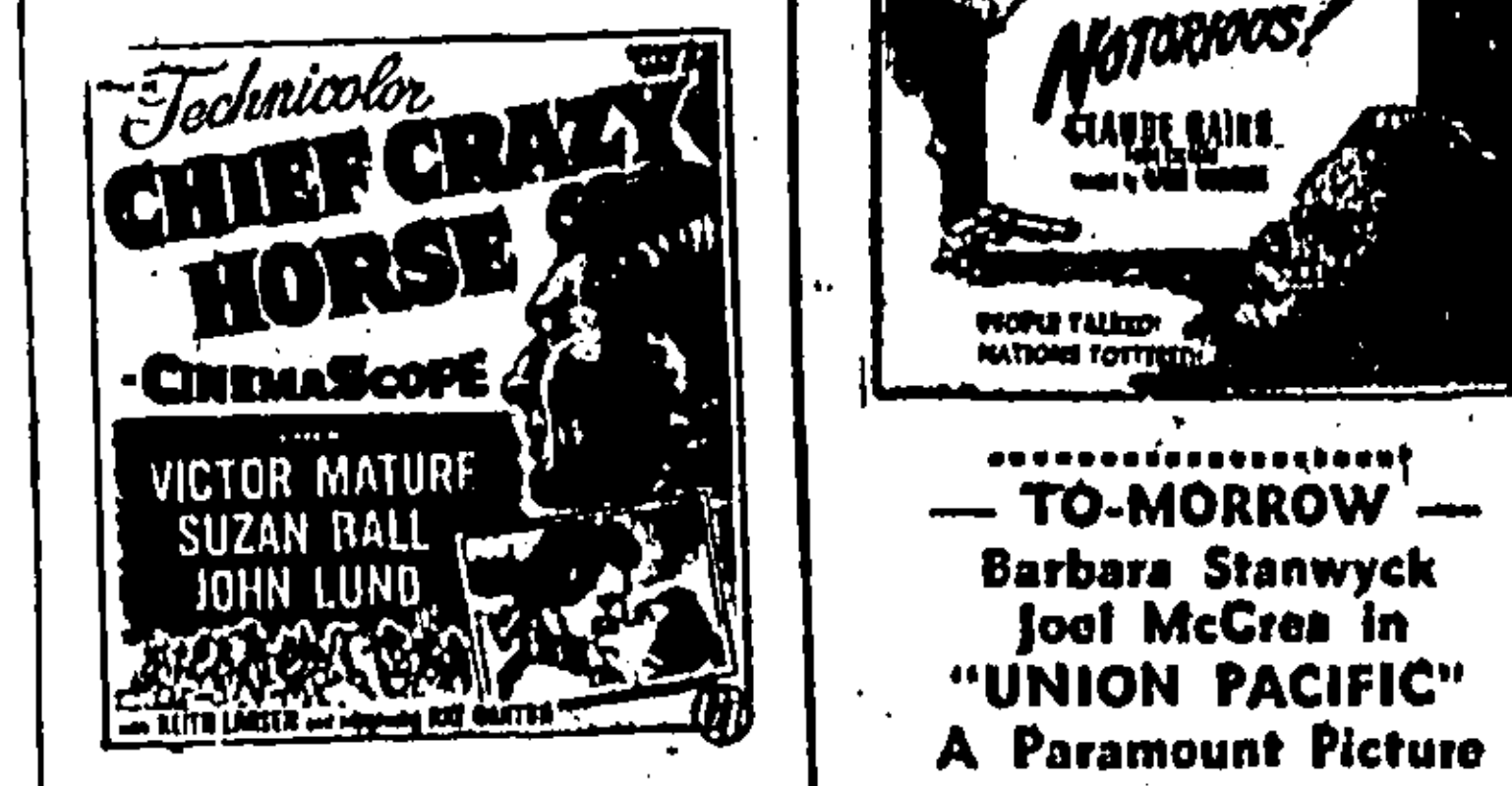


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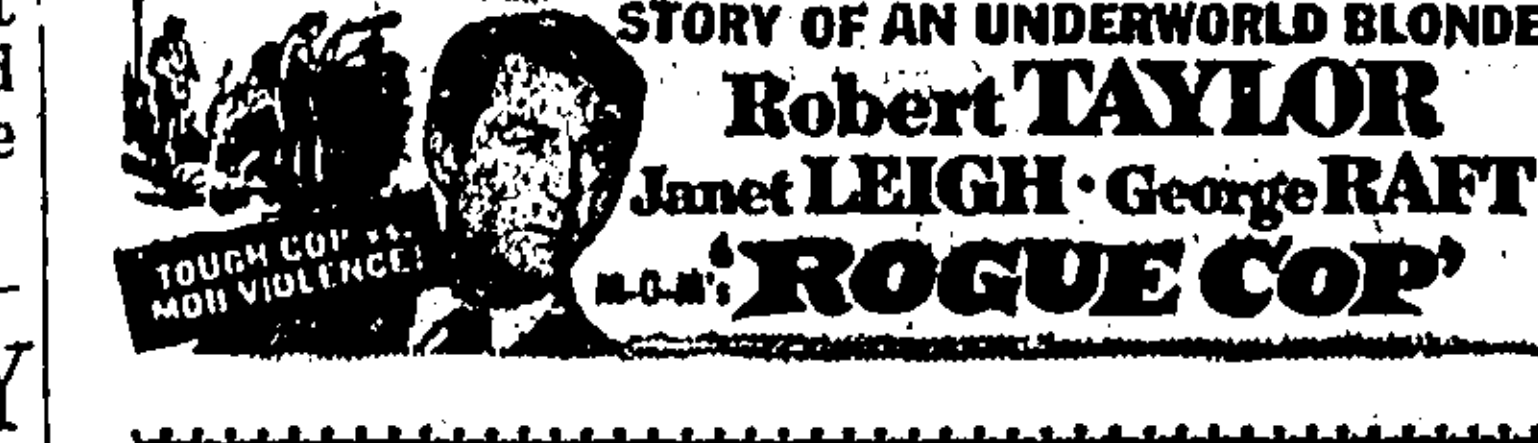
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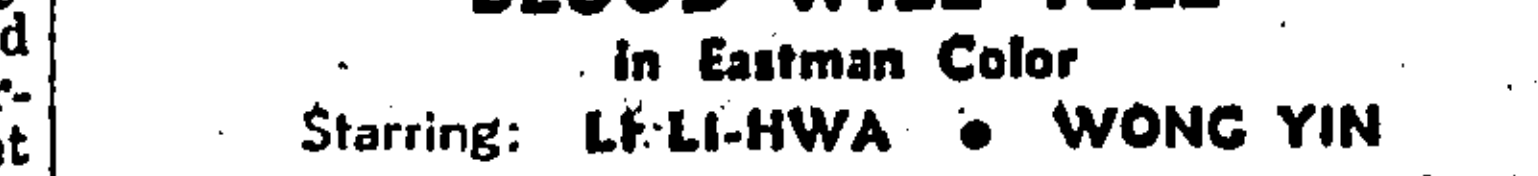
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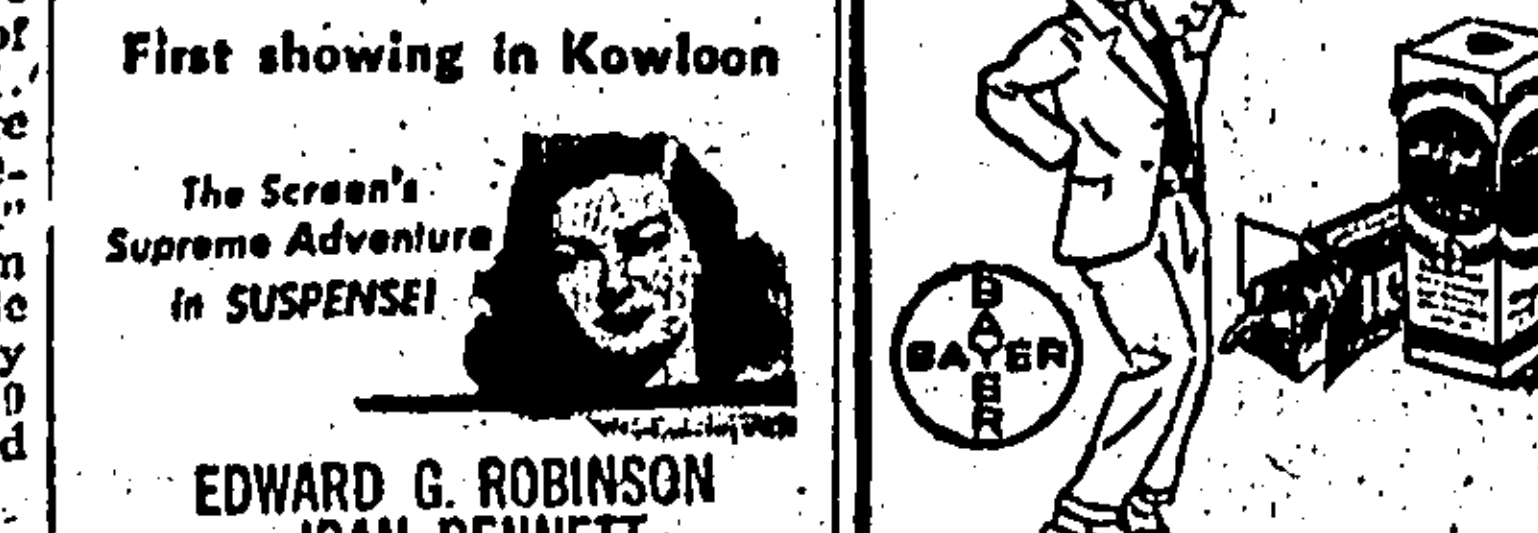


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RUSSIAN ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

US May Restrict Movement Of Satellites

First Japanese Warship

Tokyo, Dec. 15. The first Japanese-made warship since the end of the war was today handed over to the Maritime Self-Defence Force (Navy) at Yokohama dockyard of the Mitsubishi Nippon Heavy Industries Company near Tokyo.

The Maritime Self-Defence Force said the mine layer, *Tsurumi*, 830 tons, under construction since December 1954, would be on duty in northern coastal waters.—China Mail Special.

No Halt In Russian Arms Efforts

Washington, Dec. 15. A. M. Arleigh A. Burke, Chief of US Naval Operations, warned today that there is "nothing to indicate the Soviet Union is slowing down in her armament efforts."

Russia, Adm. Burke said, already has become the second-ranking seapower in the world and is "still growing—and growing fast."

Since the end of World War II, he said, Russia has built more cruisers and destroyers and submarines "than all the rest of the world combined." In addition, he said, Russia "is still building aircraft at a very rapid rate."

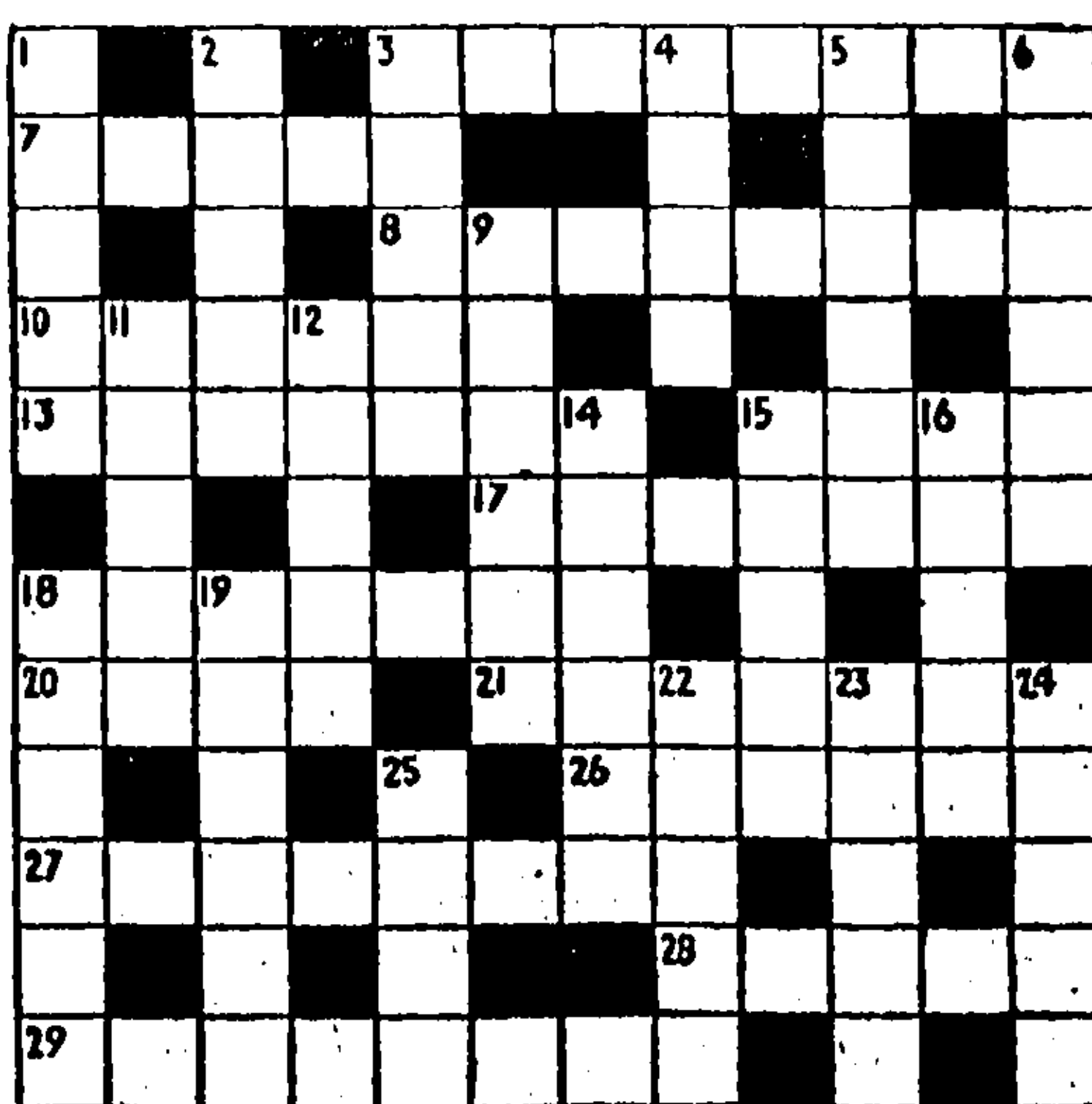
Appreciation

In a speech before the National Press Club, Adm. Burke said the rising Russian naval power indicates "Soviet appreciation of seapower's full potential." The Soviet Union, he said, has learned the lessons of World War II and "realizes that control of the seas is absolutely essential to success in war."

Adm. Burke said the Russian Navy, with its emphasis on cruisers, submarines and destroyers, is designed to prevent the United States and the free world from using the seas near the European and Asian mainland.

He noted that the free world is in effect "an armed confederation" and warned that if the United States should lose control of the seas, "our entire overseas investment will go down the drain to be utilized by the enemy as he sees fit."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
3 Atom (8).
7 Musical work (5).
8 Omens (8).
10 Disturber of the peace (6).
13 High naval rank (7).
15 Kill (4).
17 Containers for soup (7).
18 Impetuosity (4).
21 Meat ball (7).
22 Requisite (8).
27 Alienate (8).
28 Extinguish (8).
29 Godliness (8).

DOWN
1 Snake (5).
2 Broom (5).
3 Journal (5).
4 Infants (4).
5 Wax light (6).
6 Attempts (6).
9 Speaker (6).
11 Perfect (5).
12 Giant (5).
14 Enticing (6).
16 Fish (5).
18 Confused fight (8).
19 Plaid (6).
20 Unwell (5).
22 Small (5).
24 Borders (5).
25 Agreement (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Chili, 5. Brown, 8. Igloo, 9. Solenn, 10. April, 11. Boost, 12. Mend, 13. Tests, 16. Desert, 18. Soused, 20. Enma, 22. Calm, 23. Snatch, 25. Green, 26. Linger, 27. Lagon, 28. Chess, 29. Serene. Down: 1. Cashmere, 2. Idleness, 3. Limb, 4. Ignorance, 5. Boasted, 6. Roster, 7. Waist, 14. Strangle, 15. Submerge, 16. Duennas, 17. Settles, 19. Ousels, 21. North, 24. Hike.

RUSSIAN PROPOSAL TO LINK JAPAN & OUTER MONGOLIA

New York, Dec. 15.

The Soviet Union today proposed that Outer Mongolia be linked with Japan in a bid for membership in the United Nations next year.

The proposal was made by Mr Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, immediately the Security Council met today to consider a United States proposal, which came in the wake of yesterday's recommendation to admit 16 new members, that Japan should be recommended for United Nations membership at the next session of the General Assembly in 1956.

The Soviet Union yesterday omitted Outer Mongolia and Japan from the new "package" list of 16 which they unexpectedly submitted to the Security Council.

Following the Council's approval the 16 nations were admitted to the United Nations in a dramatic light session and some of them today cast their first votes in the world organization.

Taken Up

In omitting Outer Mongolia and Japan Mr Sobolev said yesterday that he hoped both would become members next year.

Taking him up on this, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, the United States delegate, immediately submitted a resolution yesterday asking the Council to recommend that the General Assembly admit Japan to the United Nations next year.

The Soviet representative said that the Soviet delegation wished to admit Outer Mongolia.

The Soviet Union on Wednesday proposed that 16 states be admitted, omitting Japan and Outer Mongolia.

Mr Sobolev said today that the General Assembly in a resolution it had sent to the Security Council on December 8, had spoken out in "a concrete fashion" in favour of the admission of 16 states, including Outer Mongolia and Japan, was a result of yesterday's action, he added, only two states had been overlooked.

None could shun the fact that only the veto of Nationalist China against Outer Mongolia on Tuesday had prevented the solution of the problem of Outer Mongolia and Japan being included in the list of 16, said Mr Sobolev.

Therefore, in view of the opinion of the majority of the Assembly and the Security Council in favour of the admission of both states, "what reason is there to have at this juncture only to consider the admission of Japan without, at the same time, considering the admission of Outer Mongolia?" he asked.

Desire For Solution

We are not justifying at all," added Mr Sobolev. The Soviet delegate said that Mr Lodge had referred to his statement of the day before.

"Well, let's see what I said," added Mr Sobolev. He said that he had commented on the Soviet Union's "desire to see a solution" of the question of new members.

The Soviet delegation had withdrawn its negative vote on a number of states and would vote in favour of them with the exception of Japan and Outer Mongolia, bearing in mind that they would both be considered at the next Assembly session.

Mr Lodge said it was hard to understand Mr Sobolev's argument that the United States resolution was not aimed at solving the membership problem.

It seemed to him, Mr Lodge said, that what the United States was doing was aimed exactly at solving the problem. He recalled that the United States had made it clear in the General Assembly's special political committee on November 18 that she favoured the admission of 17 countries, excluding Outer Mongolia but including Japan.

The Soviet Union put Japan and Outer Mongolia in the same bracket, Mr Lodge said. "We of the United States just cannot admit that," he declared. "I do not have in mind so much the fact of Japan's population and importance and size and contribution to the economic life of the world, though these things in themselves are very impressive."

Churchill Quoted

He referred to Japan's contributions to art and culture and then said there had been "tragic periods in our history with Japan."

"But we are here looking forward, not back. We are looking to the peace of the world," Mr Lodge said.

He quoted Sir Winston Churchill's statement condemning those who looked to the past instead of to the future.

Mr Lodge then went on to quote from the verbatim record of Tuesday's Council meeting in which Mr Sobolev stated that Japan's admission should be postponed to the next session of the General Assembly in 1956, "for reasons which are clear to everyone."

But, Mr Lodge added, these reasons were not clear to him. Mr Sobolev had referred only to Japan. There was no mention at all of Outer Mongolia, Mr Lodge added.

He also quoted another statement from Mr Sobolev in the verbatim record to the effect that the Soviet Union had not changed its attitude to the admission of Japan.

"My word here about Outer Mongolia," Mr Lodge said. He said that in introducing his resolution today, the United States hoped it would be accepted at once by the Soviet representative "which would mean a demonstration of international harmony and good feeling which would be an example to the world."

Mr Sobolev replied that Mr Lodge had quoted only a part of what he said.

Earnest Appeal

"I said yesterday," Mr Sobolev went on, "that I hoped there would be concerted efforts between the sessions of the General Assembly to ensure the admission of both countries to the United Nations at the next session. What can be more clear?"

Mr Salim Serper of Turkey made an "earnest appeal" to the Soviet Union not to press to a vote its resolution on Outer Mongolia. He said that the Soviet resolution on Outer Mongolia "would entirely change the meaning and scope" of the United States resolution on Japan.

"In fact, it might change it into a very strange package deal and indeed one of the most curious package deals ever proposed," Mr Serper said.

He added that the United Nations could not afford to lose sight of the role Japan played in international relations. "How could it ignore the 'valuable contribution' Japan would bring to the United Nations?"

"I hope sincerely we will be able to reach a reasonable solution without making the situation more bitter than really is necessary," Mr Serper concluded.

Excellent Intent

Sir Leslie Lamont, speaking as the New Zealand representative, said he would abstain on

both the resolution. He said he wished to make it clear that his abstention did not affect New Zealand's "very strong view" that Japan, which was an extremely well qualified candidate, should be admitted at once.

"I repeat that I regret that this was not done yesterday," Sir Leslie said.

Sir Leslie said his abstention on the resolution of the United States "the excellent intent of which he fully appreciated"—was based entirely on common-sense grounds.

Dr T. F. Tsiang of Nationalist China said that the proposition linking Japan with Outer Mongolia was certainly not acceptable.

"That Japan is qualified for membership in the United Nations is universally admitted," he said, adding that not even the Soviet Union had for one moment objected to the qualifications of Japan.

"As for my delegation, I have never had a single second of doubt that Japan is fully qualified for membership in the United Nations," Dr Tsiang said. "Japan remains an honoured nation among the international community."

An Insult

"But as for the qualification of Outer Mongolia, I shall only say that Outer Mongolia is not an independent sovereign nation. It is a Soviet colony and has been used by the Soviet Union for aggression against my country in 1947 and against the United Nations in the war in Korea."

Now, he continued, the Soviet Union was linking the two applicants together.

"To condition the admission of Japan on the admission of any other country is a violation of the Charter," the Chinese delegate said. "That's a serious act. I think the Security Council should make a serious attempt to prevent such a flagrant violation of the Charter."

"To bracket Japan with Outer Mongolia is an insult to Japan and an insult to the intelligence of the world," Dr Tsiang said. "Such a proposition is certainly not acceptable."

Mr Cyro de Freitas Valle of Brazil said that, eager as his country was to see Japan's admission, it did not seem in order to approve this today.

Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain said he would vote in favour of the United States resolution and abstain on the Soviet resolution—at least that part of the resolution which recommended the admission of Outer Mongolia at the eleventh session.

"My vote for the United States resolution," he said, "is an expression of our keen desire to see Japan admitted to United Nations as soon as possible," he said.

Quite Different

As regards his abstention on Outer Mongolia, Sir Pierson said, he had voted in favour of Outer Mongolia two days ago, but had explained then that Britain had "serious doubts" about its qualifications. He said he had been prepared to judge the matter with the "utmost benevolence" owing to the circumstances which the Council was then confronted.

"However the situation is quite different today," Sir Pierson said. "And equally I need not disguise that our enthusiasm for Outer Mongolia has never been very great."

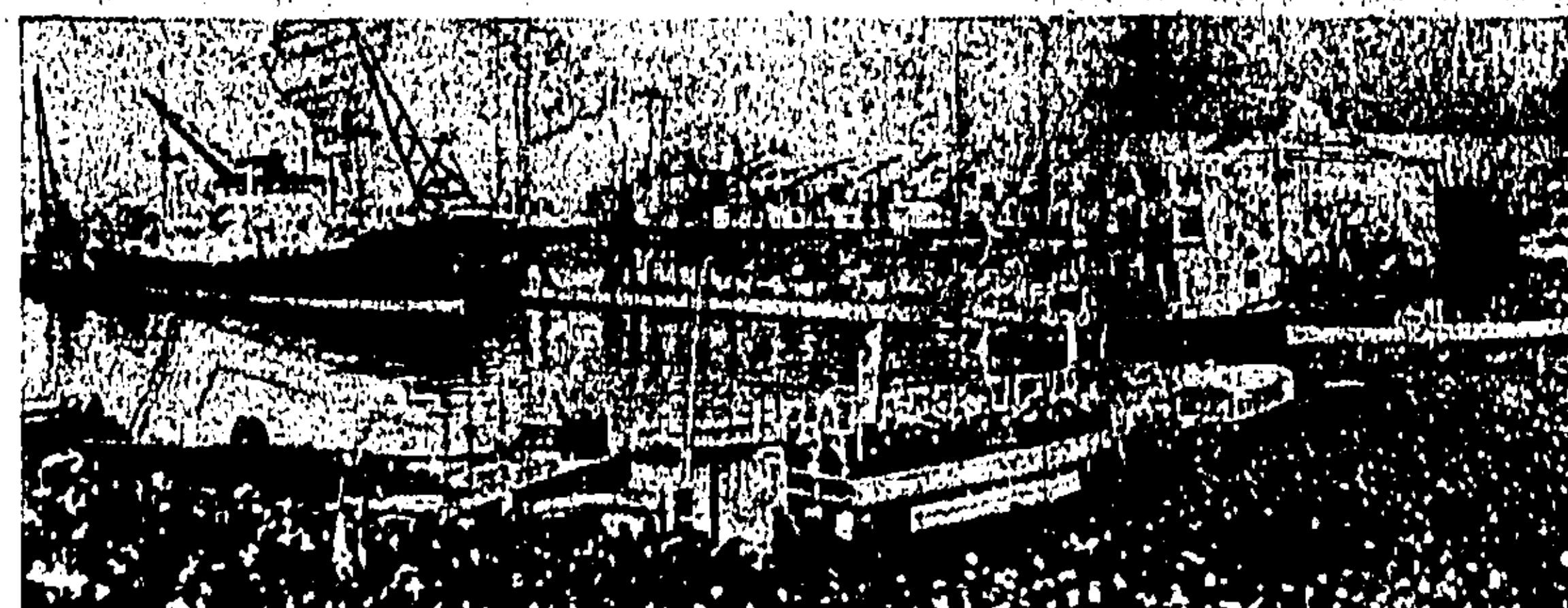
Britain, he said, had never agreed that the admission of both these countries should be linked together and it was his government's view that the mistake that had befallen Japan by not being admitted at this session should be redressed as soon as possible.—Reuter.

Presentation Encyclopedia

Tokyo, Dec. 15. The Shell Oil Company of Japan today presented a set of 1955 revised edition of the Encyclopedia of Britannica to each of the 10 leading Japanese universities.

The universities, including Tokyo University, were all cited masters of employees of the company.

The representative of the universities today attended the presentation ceremony held in Tokyo.—China Mail Special.



A big send-off at Kalliningrad for the diesel-powered Ob, a ship carrying the first Soviet comprehensive research Antarctic expedition of the USSR Academy of Sciences. According to the expedition's chief, Mr M. M. Somov: "We are sailing half-way round the world for peaceful purposes—to carry forward the noble undertaking of the glorious Russian seafarers who, 135 years ago in the sailboats Mirny and Vostok, discovered for mankind the far-off and mysterious Antarctica." The ship has taken on enough fuel for sailing 80,000 kilometres without port calls.—Express Photo.

F.O. Spokesman Was Right Says Killearn

London, Dec. 15.

Lord Killearn, formerly British special Commissioner for Southeast Asia, said today the adjective "hypocritical" applied by a British foreign official to speeches of Soviet leaders in India was "neither misplaced nor inaccurate."

He had asked the Government in the House of Lords to make available a reliable translation of the utterances about Britain by Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr Nikita Khrushchev during their visit to India.

Lord Reading, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said no official transcript existed.

"We have to rely on press reports," he said.

Lord Killearn then asked: "Would you agree that in the light of the reports of these utterances as they appeared in the press here, the adjective 'hypocritical' is neither misplaced nor inaccurate?"

Lord Reading replied: "Whatever one's view may be, that does not arise out of the question on the (agenda) paper."

(The comment "hypocritical" was made by a Foreign Office spokesman, Mr Peter Mathew, on Marshal Bulganin's speech in the Indian Parliament in which he said Russia did not interfere in the internal affairs of other countries.)

Commons Question

In the House of Commons today, Mr Philip Eric, Labour asked what instructions had been given to the British High Commissioner in India to make known British aims and policy on foreign affairs, disarmament and relations with Asiatic countries.

Mr Douglas Dodds-Parker, Under-Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, replied: "The normal methods of exchanges of views and information, which is a marked feature of Commonwealth relations, already ensures that the Government and people of India are well acquainted with the aims and policies of the British Government."

Mr Price: "Have you any information about the Indian public's reaction to Mr Khrushchev's speeches?"

Mr Dodds-Parker: "No, I think you should look at the newspapers for reports."

THOREZ ATTACKS MR FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 15. Maurice Thorez, Secretary-General of the French Communist Party, lashed out at former Premier Pierre Mendès-France, at an electoral meeting in the east end of Paris tonight.

Thorez accused Mendès-France of being partly responsible for the deterioration of the situation in Algeria and of opposing workers' wage claims.

He said the Communist Party platform for the elections included reduction of military service from 18 months to a year and lowering the voting age from 21 to 18.

Mendès-France has turned a winning Republican bloc with the Socialist Party to fight the elections. The Communists had urged voters to abstain from the Communist Party.

Franco-Spanish Relations

Madrid, Dec. 15. The High Commissioner for Spanish Morocco, General Garcia Valino, told Spanish newsmen in S a n t o s e a (northeast Spain) that relations between France and Spain will show a "considerable improvement," official sources said today.

General Valino confirmed that he is soon to meet the French Resident-General in Morocco, M. Andre Dubois, in Spanish Morocco.

The General said he expected France and Spain soon to adopt a "parallel policy" in both the French and Spanish zones of Morocco.—France-Press.

EARTH TREMOR

Tokyo, Dec. 16. The Central Meteorological Observatory announced a slight earth tremor in eastern and a part of northern Japan today.

The Observatory said the epicentre was near Mt. Tsukuba, Ibaraki Prefecture, northeast of Tokyo.

Police reported no casualties or damage.—China Mail Special.

US Should Buy More Japanese Goods

Boston, Dec. 15.

Mr Sadab Iguchi, Japan's Ambassador to the United States, today called upon Americans to help Japan on the road to economic stability by increasing their purchases of Japanese goods.

In an address to the world affairs council of Boston, Mr Iguchi noted that Japan was importing three times as much from the United States as it exported.

"Japanese (economic) dependence on the United States is not due merely to the political condition on limiting trade with China or the naturally low volume of business available at this early stage of economic development in Southeast Asia," he said.

"On the contrary, we are a venerable, and substantial customer, being one of the three principal US customers abroad."

Every Effort

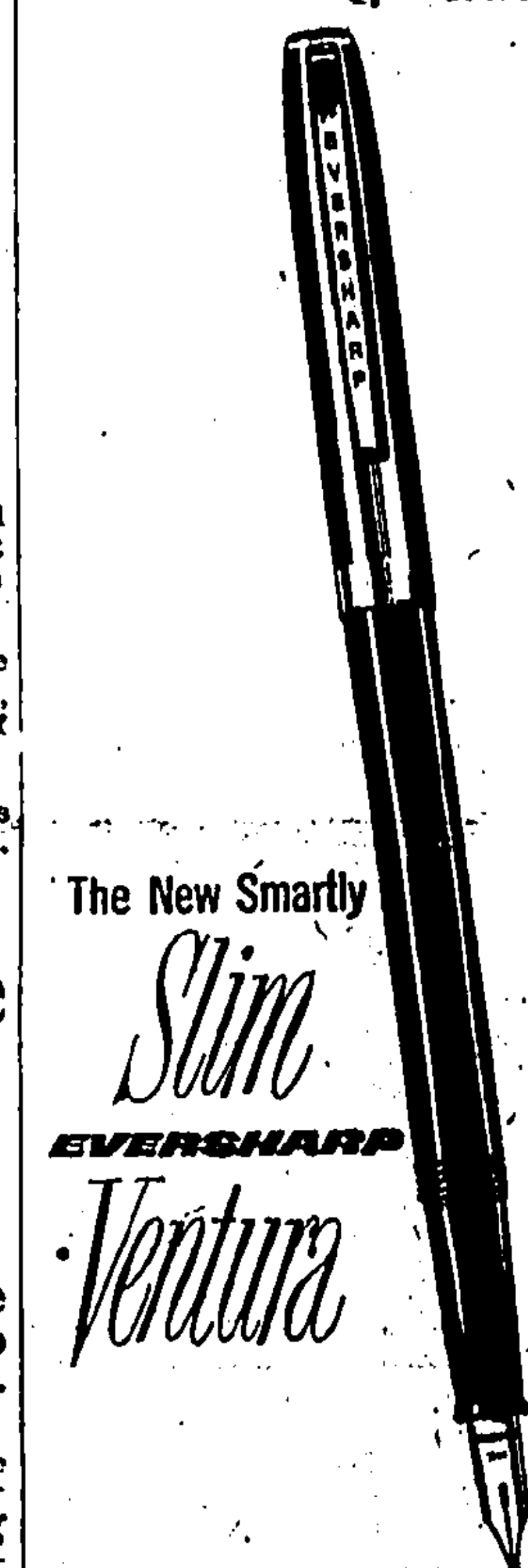
"It is for this reason, partly that the United States appreciates our trading problems and so helpfully supported our readmission to the world trading community by membership in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT as it is popularly known."

"At the same time, it should be appreciated that Japan is buying about three times more from the United States than the United States buys from Japan and that this overwhelming imbalance in favour of the United States furnishes all the more reason why the American people should make every effort to help by buying from us a volume of goods which more closely approximates the value of what we buy from your country."

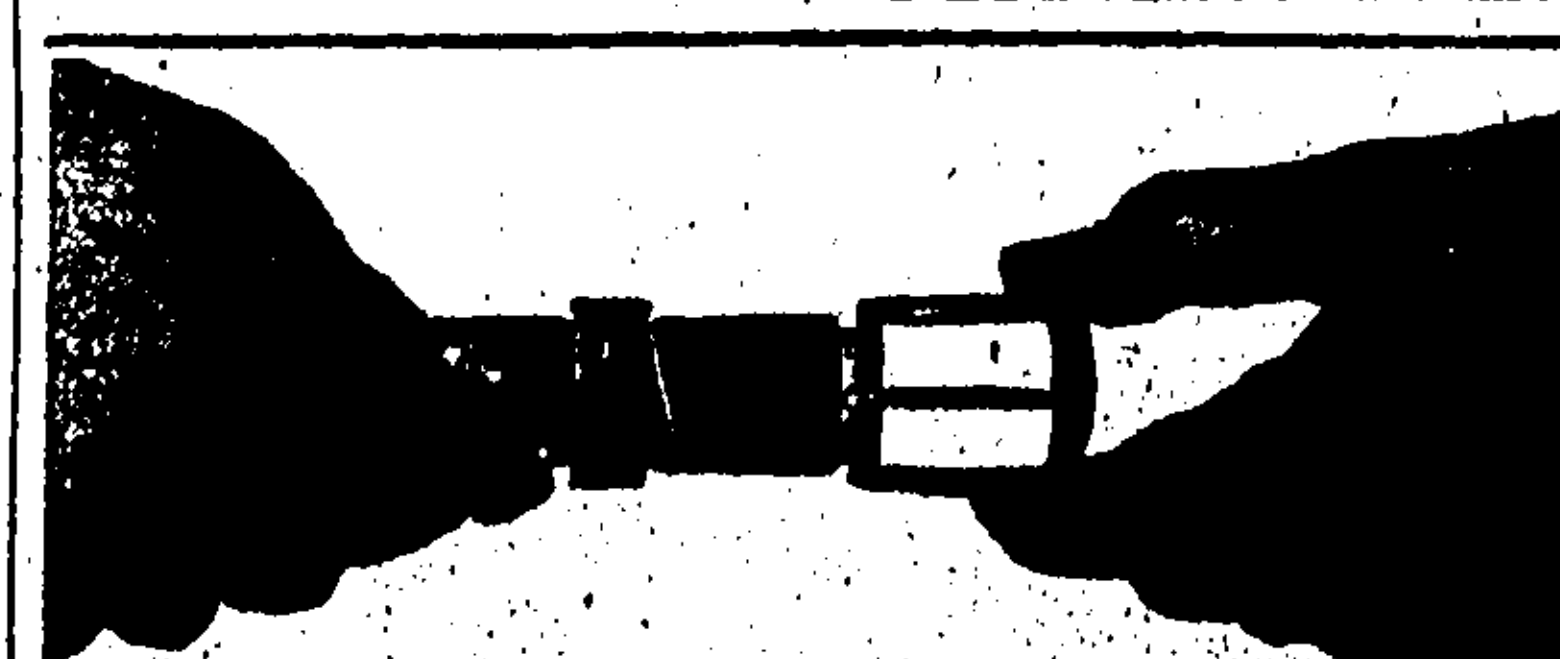
Mr Iguchi said United States was reaching Japan, efforts to overcome external trade deficits and to attain a viable economy thereby to establish Japan as a factor for stability in Asia and the Far East with half price and half anxiety, wide arising from the legitimate feeling of the American people that they had helped Japan to her feet and anxiety arising from a feeling that Japan was going to upset American markets with cheap goods.

"Understand and appreciate Japan's position," Mr Iguchi said.

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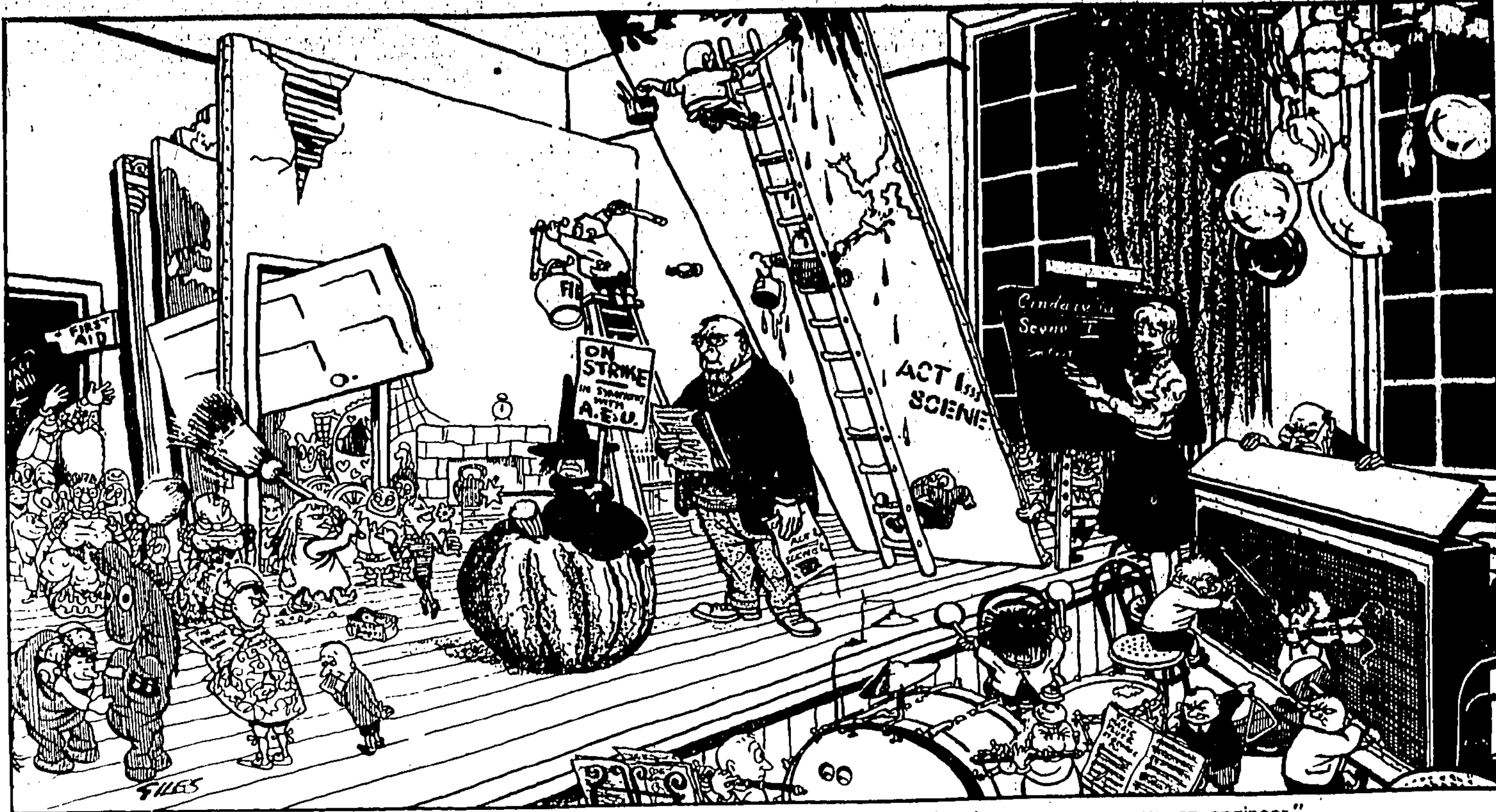
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Continuing The New Everest Adventure:

NOW THE HEAT BARRIER, THEN WHAT?

DON IDDON'S DIARY

Edwards Air Force Base, in the Mojave Desert. **W**HAT is the heat barrier? The command-ing general here, J. S. Holtner, in this most advanced of aircraft test centres, has no specific definition.

The chief test pilot, Lieut. Colonel Frank Everest, talks vaguely of the upper sky, but Major Arthur Murray, one of the rocket-ship test team, has the most vivid description: "Nobody knows how an aeroplane will act up there. What unpredictable dangers wait for the first man to cross the threshold to outer space.

"The air is so thin you'll boil like a tea-kettle; so cold, a mercury thermometer would freeze; cosmic radiation, whizzing meteorites, and weird weightlessness.

I was chatting with Colonel Robert Caldwell, Deputy Commander of Edwards, known heretofore as Muroc, when a plane overhead crashed the sound barrier. There was the sharp explosion and Colonel Caldwell said: "There goes the barrier."

I asked him: "Is there any noise or explosion when the heat barrier is crashed?" And Colonel Caldwell replied: "The only noise probably comes from the pilot himself yelling in apprehension."

Ideal site

THE heat, or thermal, barrier, the last frontier, defies definition, but the officers and men at this base are penetrating it more and more deeply each day. Led by Colonel Everest, they are conquering the upper space. This base is ideally suited to launch the invasion of the lonely sky and break down the heat barrier.

Lieut. Colonel Lloyd Garland took me out to the extraordinary dry lake which must be the world's biggest and best landing field—55 smooth square miles dead level and rock-hard. We got out of the car and I examined the ground or bed of the desert-dry lake. It is a form of clay, better than any concrete or macadam. The heaviest aircraft in the world, the Coldest aircraft in the world, could hover down it. Three hundred, and sixty out of 365 days a year are ideal for flying here at Muroc, in the heart of the desert, but on the other hand, rain comes, and by some miracle that is the only weather, or renovation that this huge natural airfield requires.

The rains put a coating—a sort of glass or lacquer—on the lake bed, preventing cracking or holes and preserving the ideal landing surface.

aircraft involved, but an estimate of the damage that would have been done had the lake not been available for emergency landings. Of course, we can't reckon the value of lives saved.

Despite the hazards of super-sonic flying, fatalities at Edwards average only two a year—the base was named after Captain Glen Edwards, killed here in 1949—but there are many narrow escapes, forced landings, fires, explosions, and near-misses.

There is every facility here for testing planes—24 aeroplane manufacturers, four Government agencies, and the three branches of the Services are all represented.

Fifty percent of the work consists of test flights. Ninety-five percent is devoted to developing and perfecting the descendants of the experimental planes.

Muroc is never still. While I have been here plane after plane has been taking off. Firemen in asbestos suits stand by in their trucks, pilots stroll across the tarmac swinging their helmets, climb into their jets, and roar away.

A whole fleet of mother ships is always lined up, and because of the ideal weather it is not necessary to house them in the hangars.

The great mission of Muroc is to try out in practice what the scientists and engineers have worked out on their charts and laboratory benches in theory.

One engineer told me: "There is an inevitable disparity between theory and fact, and remember, machinery is fallible. We can calculate basic aerodynamics on the ground with considerable accuracy, but there is no engineer alive who can

predict exactly how a plane's controls are going to react at all speeds and in all kinds of manoeuvres and at tremendous altitudes.

"We can design plane parts and accessories which seem foolproof on the ground, but the only way you can tell how they will operate in flight is to try them out, and that's where the test pilots come in."

Family man

THE test pilot today is not a wild boy who roars into the "wild blue yonder" and lives it up at week-ends.

He is usually a quiet family man, aged between 25 and 35. Everest himself has three children, and most of the other test pilots are family men living quiet, sober lives in their little houses on the base.

Everest, as chief test pilot and boss of the 30-man test team here, receives only \$8,000 a year. Although his ancestor was Sir George Everest, he regards himself as a West Virginian. His closest friend, first man to fly through the sound barrier, Major Charles (Chuck) Yeager, is also a West Virginian.

I am told here that the main qualification for a test pilot is an unusual combination of aptitude and temperament—a unique knack for handling aircraft and an ardent scientific curiosity that extends to risk-taking but not recklessness. In those two years, Virus C seems to have made amazing progress.

Just two years ago, Dr F. M. Burnett in his book, "Virus and Man," wrote: "At the present time work is going on with another virus which probably falls close to influenza viruses A and B. This may soon be known as Virus C. It is certainly of no great importance in comparison with influenza A and B and will not be mentioned again."

In those two years, Virus C seems to have made amazing progress.

Both these outbreaks seem to have one thing in common: they have an edge on man. In the first place, there are, no doubt, many strains of bacteria and viruses which are potentially dangerous but are kept under control in the struggle for life in tougher and better suited breeds which we often know as dangerous diseases.

But when we have controlled other breeds they are given a chance to thrive.

Peter Everest himself has piloted 110 different kinds of planes in 13 years of flying. He is not frightened to talk about accidents. "We've lots of accidents; most of them forced landings that the pilots walk away from."

"It's better to have them here than later on in the game. We've got the facilities for it."

Some of the pilots are not particularly eloquent about the last horizon. They seem to think little of super-sonic speed. Major Yeager says: "The main way you can tell is that the plane has a slightly different feel as you approach the speed of sound. You feel this and you go past it and figure you must be through sound speed."

Major Murray is more graphic. He has written: "I am part of a team of explorers punching their way higher and higher above the deco blanket of air surrounding the earth. Up into the last frontier in the silent cold where the mercury hangs at 67 below zero Fahrenheit. (After the deep freeze comes the furnace-blast heat.)"

"I've developed a delicate cracker's feel for the delicate pressure controls. I am in free flight, in command now... I am heavy with fuel, but I pull smoothly away from the chase plane (chase planes always escort the rockets to guide them) in emergencies and detect flaws in the travelling like a bullet now, faster, faster... 70,000 ft. of sky under me. The controls feel sluggish. I move them cautiously with taut muscles."

That's the way it is, it would probably only be a matter of time before modern antibiotics gave us mastery over the microbe.

Unfortunately, that is not all. The microbe can go through millions of generations for man's one. With every generation, there is a chance of a mutation—a structural change which results in a slightly different type.

Since the microbe is an extremely simple organism, it is likely to find that these changes make little difference to its ordinary chances of life. They are not in the position of complex organisms like man. A very slight structural change may mean that life is impossible.

The changes in the microbes may make them immune to attack from antibiotics. The result is that for every new antibiotic man develops, the microbes may be able to evolve more dangerous strains.

"Outside I know that the air pressure is low enough to make my blood boil. Eighty thousand—still climbing—and here's the burn-out. My fuel is gone and inertia hurries me upward. At 83,035 ft. I pass the world altitude record, and now I am closer to the moon than man has ever been before. I begin to feel weightless and I am flying so fast that my instruments cannot keep up."

Falling upward

"SUDDENLY the rocket ship yaws, hard left, pitches, rolls. I need all the muscular co-ordination I can command at this moment as I plunge into the controllability envelope... a wing drops and then it comes. I sp... wildly, super-sonically out of control. I am falling upward, tumbling crazily across the sky at more than 1,400 miles an hour.

"Earth and sky whirl in a blur as the deadly shock-waves hammer my rocket ship with unrelenting fury... I hang on and ride it out until finally, I sink back into heavier air down near 70,000."

Colonel Everest does not talk or write like that. His great predecessor, Bill Bridgman, one of America's foremost experimental test pilots, who flew the

javelin-shaped skyrocket, however, has the vivid touch like Major Murray.

Bridgman says: "Eighty thousand feet. It is intensely bright outside; the contrast of the dark shadows of the cockpit is extreme and strange. It is so dark lower in the cockpit that I cannot read the instruments sunk low on the panel. The dials on top in the light are vividly apparent. There seems to be no reflection. It is all black or white, apparent or non-apparent. No half-tones."

"It's a pure, immaculate world here. She levels off silently. I roll to the right and there it is. Out of the tiny window slits there is the earth wiped clean of civilisation, a vast relief map with paper mache mountains and mirrored lakes and seas... it is as if I am the only living thing connected to this totally strange, uninhabited planet 15 miles below me."

"The plane that carries me and I are one and alone." As for Colonel Everest, he just says: "It is flying—different, challenging, strange, perhaps, but still flying."

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The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable
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British tennis stars Tony Mottram (left) and Geoff Paish receive from
Lord Templewood, President of the Lawn Tennis Association, a presentation in
recognition of services they have rendered to British Lawn Tennis.

The presentation preceded the Association's Annual Meeting at the Wal-
dorf Hotel, Aldwych, London, on December 8. Before turning professional in
October Mottram had represented Britain in 56 Davis Cup matches — more
than any other player in history.—Reuterphoto.

THE JIMMY DIMMOCK STORY

My Pay Cut Was Banked And Bonus Too

As told by JIMMY DIMMOCK to JACK WOOD

Jimmy Dimmock signed professional forms for Tottenham Hotspur
in August 1919. Clapton Orient were anxious to sign him, and he wanted
to sign for them.

"Orient, my club during the war, approached me, and I promised to
think it over, says Jimmy.

"The next night Mr Peter McWilliam, manager of Spurs, came round to our
house and told me that he wanted me to sign for his club. I told him I wanted
to join the Orient.

"He pointed out that, as a
boy of 14, I had signed as an
amateur for Spurs, and that if
I did not honour that signing I
would never be allowed to play
for any other club.

"There were special regula-
tions which operated during the
war which gave clubs first claim
on all players who were on their
books in 1914.

TOP WAGE AT 19

"I went to Orient the next
day and told them what had
happened. They told me that
there was nothing they could
do, and wished me luck with
the Spurs.

"Like a little dog who has
lost his bone, I walked round
to the Spurs ground and tapped
at the manager's door. I was
greeted by Mr McWilliam
with: 'I've been waiting for you
to come. If your signature on
the contract is still valid, you
will be £8 a week in the winter
and £6 in the summer.'

At 19 Jimmy Dimmock was a
full-time footballer on top
wages. The money was good
and the life was a full one, and
with 74 points, 20 points clear
of their nearest challengers,
Huddersfield Town.

Dimmock, the left-wing star,
was also Dimmock the spender.
And, as Jack Elkes, his old
team-mate, has told, Dimmock
the "easy touch."

His pals were still the pals
of his school days. If some of
them had not done as well as
he, then surely, Jimmy reason-
ed, it was his duty to help them.
"I used to find two or three
of the boys waiting for me on
pay days. When you've known
them all your life, and had so
much fun with them, you can't
see them short of a bob or two."

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outside left.

"But I am an inside-left,"
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the greatest left-winger in the
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Highbury and prove me right."

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ARTHUR GRIMSDOLL
A wonderful Spurs captain

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"He told me firmly that from
that moment I would be allowed
to draw only £8 a week of
my £8 wage. And any bonuses
I earned would go into the
bank with my other two pounds.
I don't think he had ever heard
of the Truck Acts which make
such things illegal, but then,
neither had I."

That was the way it was with
Dimmock and his money until
Peter McWilliam left to become
manager of Middlesbrough in
1920, and that was why Jimmy
Dimmock, the spendthrift, left
Spurs with a small fortune.

Shipper of the Spurs in the
great days was Arthur Grim-
sdell, a stern man both on and
off the field, but a man who,
Dimmock admits, had a lot to
do with his development.

"We never got on really
well," says Dimmock of Grim-
sdell, a successful Watford
business man. "He was a remote
sort of fellow and did not ap-
prove of me and the others who
liked our bit of life."

"But on the field he was a
wonderful captain. You used to
feel that you could not do any-
thing but your best, and the
pass he used to roll out my
way were always perfect."

"My best pals were Jimmy
Seed and Tommy Clay. What a
marvellous fellow that Jimmy
was. He could master anything,
from playing the piano to draw-
ing wonderful little caricatures
of us players."

"Soon after we met he saw
me, one day, struggling to write
my autobiography in a youngster's
book. In a very nice way—you
could never take offence at
Jimmy—he asked to see the
autograph."

I STUDIED

It seems that Dimmock, the
new star, was not prepared for
his part in the autobiography
that lay ahead. Jimmy Seed set
out to help him.

"We used to sit in the pub
after training and we would
practise writing Jimmy Dim-
mock's together. He taught me
to put a squiggle on the end,
and at night I would practise
writing in the Jimmy Seed way."

"The next year we won the
FA Cup. I got the only goal
against Wolves at Stamford
Bridge and the Spurs support-
ers went crazy."

NEXT FRIDAY: That Cup-
winning goal, and what hap-
pened afterwards.

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Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley By "RAPIER"

The second half of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Third Race Meeting of the
1955/56 season is scheduled for this coming Saturday and will feature the Hongkong
St. Leger for 1955 Subscription Grifflins over 1½ Miles.
Seven other races for Classes 1, 3, 6, 8 and 9 ponies will also be included in
a programme of eight events. The first race will be run at 2 p.m.

Here are my estimates of the
chances:

FIRST RACE

Violent Hill Handicap: From 1½
Mile Post.

The opening event tomorrow
is confined to Class 9 ponies
with novice jockeys as pilots. A
perusal of the entries would
seem to indicate that Calamity
(A. Travert), Ben Lowers
(Enfield), Congratulation (Al-
bert Lam) and Queenpots
(Hulse) are the ones to fight
out the issue in this race.

Calamity is my choice, and I
think it should win, but Ben
Lowers is not to be ignored as
this pony can move and the dis-
tance is more to its liking.

Congratulation is not bad over
this distance and should not be
disregarded. The same remark
applies to Queenpots.

SECOND RACE

Dragon's Back Handicap: Six
Furlongs.

The winner of this race should
come from among Kerrera (A.
Ostroumoff), Scrabo (P.
Plumbly), Blondie (M. Samarcq)
and Thanksgiving Day (W.
Williamson).

Kerrera, which ran third in
the Barossa Handicap over
the mile at the last meeting,
will be ready for another try
and should give a good run for
your money.

Scrabo, which was officially
fourth in the above race, should
be near.

Blondie can figure to provide
the upset over this distance,
and is a good outsider.

THIRD RACE

Stanley Bay Handicap: 1½ Miles.

Whispering Stag, H. K. Chuang
up, a great disappointment last
time out, should command most
support from the public.

Because of its recent sharp train-
ing during morning gallops, it
must be rated as the pony most
likely to win this race.

Two ponies should provide
strong opposition—Apple Pie
(R. Tsai) and Sportsmanship
(H. H. Chan). The former is
rounding into winning form and
should be close while the latter
is also currently in good form.

Diamond Dahlen (K. Kwok) and
Cirrus (W. R. Holman) are in
better shape and should cause
some concern here.

FOURTH RACE

Hongkong St. Leger: 1½ Miles.

This one and three quarter
miles grueling test for 1955
Subscription Grifflins is the main
event of the afternoon and of
the seven entries at least five
are expected to accept.

They are Golden Branch (W.
K. Shieh), Helicon (R. Tsai),
Silver Wing (H. K. Chuang),
Snow-Damself (M. Samarcq) and
Violet Ray (P. Plumbly).

Favourite among the early
railbirds is Snow-Damself and
though it has raced but once
since the beginning of the
1955/56 season, a win for it is
not out of the question.

Silver Wing is in fine fettle at
the moment and should provide
the opposition here.

For the third position a good
fight should ensue between
Golden Branch and Helicon.

FIFTH RACE

Waterfall Bay Handicap: From 1½
Mile Post.

This sprint event will be
contested by Class 6 ponies. In
spite of its promotion from
Class 7 after winning the Pedder
Handicap over the mile at the
First Race Meeting, I still fancy
the chances of Flying Dutchman
(H. H. Chan) to win again.

Rebel III (A. Travert) will
carry 155 lbs., less 3 lbs.
allowance, to 152 lbs.

In view of the opposition it
may have a say here tomorrow
afternoon. Moonraker (H. K.
Hung) looks dangerous and Iron-
side (P. Plumbly) may yet spring
a surprise as this pony is un-
doubtedly good.

As an outsider I recommend
Emperor Delight (C. F. Ng).

SIXTH RACE

Moone collision Handicap: 1¼
Miles.

Bonita (A. Ostroumoff) is
certainly the pony to watch in
this event, especially if you
remember how the combination
came from behind to take third
place over two-mile post in
the Kwangtung Handicap at the
last meeting, while New Jersey
(H. K. Hung), if it doesn't lay
behind at the start, should be
well in at the finish.

Other notable contenders for
honours are Babo (E. S. Wang),
Fire-glo (K. Kwok), Gold
Crown (M. Samarcq) and Ben
Lomond (P. Plumbly).

SEVENTH RACE
West Bay Handicap: From 2 Mile
Post.
Class 6 ponies will battle out
the finish in this event. Tip
Top is up two classes for
winning the Barossa Handicap
over the mile at the Second
Race Meeting with C. H. Ren-
frew up. As it will be taken
out by M. Samarcq tomorrow,
it has a chance of repeat-
ing its previous success.

But it will have to be at its
best form to show off. Souvenir's
chance as this pony will again
have Albert Lam's experienced
handling.

Orange Beauty, another stay-
er well to the third place in
this race.

the Carnoustie Handicap over
the Champion distance at the
last meeting. Over this distance
it is capable of extending Tip
Top and Souvenir.

As an outsider keep Tell-me-
more (R. Tsai) in mind.

EIGHTH RACE

Sandy Bay Handicap: Six Furlongs.

This is the final event of the
meeting and among the ponies
entered, Mascot (C. H. Ren-
frew), Corvett (P. Plumbly),
Seafire (K. Kwok) and Beau-
tiful Lie (R. Tsai) are un-
doubtedly the best.

Mascot is probably a little
better, if we are only to judge
by its run over the mile at the
First Race Meeting for Ponies of
1955, Class A, when it was
beaten into second position by
Golden Branch after leading
most of the way.

Corvett must be borne in mind
as the pony is improving during
morning gallops. The distance
also favours Seafire, but I doubt
if it can do better than place.

Beautiful Lie is also good
over this distance and if given
a good start should be near at
the finish.

BOXING SMOKER

Airmen Were Clear Victors Over Sailors By 15 Points To Nine

By Our Boxing Reporter

The Missions to Seamen staged another Boxing
Smoker last night and maintained its well established
reputation for surprises, although on this occasion it was
not in the manner of the usual thrills, but in a most dis-
appointing ending to an otherwise entertaining evening.

The match was one between a Royal Navy team and
one from the Royal Air Force Station at Little Sai Wan.
Before explaining the upset that climaxed the show let me
say that the Airmen were clear victors over the Sailors
by 15 points to 9.

Many of the spectators went
along to the Missions to see the
first comeback fight of 'Nobby'
Finch the 1955 Colony Middle-
weight Champion. In this they
were sadly disappointed.

Finch was listed to appear in
the last bout of the evening
against LAC O'Connell but
when he stepped into the ring
it was noticed that he had a
civilian trainer and was clad in
the colours of a local boxing
club and not in the official Royal
Navy garb.

Referee Jack Shepherd went
immediately to Finch's corner
and after some quick discussion
Finch left the ring. The bout
with O'Connell was cancelled.

It was learned later that Finch
had refused to take part in his
bout in accordance with the
rules governing the promotion.
It is believed that more may be
heard of the whole incident.

SPORTING ACTION

In order that the crowd
should not be too disappointed
Gnr McMenamy—who beat Gnr.
Dimming, Southeast Asia gold
medallist, the night previously—
stepped in and boxed a three
rounds exhibition with
O'Connell. His sporting action
and the expeditious and
admirable handling of the
whole, unfortunate incident by
Jack Shepherd did a lot to re-
store the situation.

Generally the boxing was a
little disappointing and the
showers of a week ago were
not quite repeated. Neverthe-
less there were some hard
gruelling fights and the boxers
took a lot of credit from their
showings.

The most exciting opening of
the evening was in the seventh
bout when the bell sent S.A.C.
Anderson-Dixon and Sig Corn-
well into action like a couple
of untamed tigers.

The boys kept it up, with only
occasional breathers, until the
end and although Cornwell was
down several times he persisted
in coming right back to the at-
tack without being able, however,
to overhaul his opponent's lead.

... but gamer losers are few
and far between.

The bout between Cpl Roberts
and AB Nash provided plenty of
discussion among the crowd.
Roberts was warned on several
occasions for hitting on the
back of the neck but it looked
very much as though Nash's
habit of ducking low in getting
away from an attack, was the
predominant factor.

Referee Shepherd rightly
warned Roberts but at the same
time he admonished Nash for
causing the blows to land on

Nashua Is Sold For Over 1½ Million Dollars

New York, Dec. 15.

Nashua, the Champion three-
year-old race horse, was sold
today for \$1,251,200 to Leslie
Combe of Spendthrift, Farm,
Lexington, Kentucky.

The announcement was made
by the executors of the estate
of the late Mr. William Wood-
ward, Junior, owner of the
famous Belair stud-racing stable,
which has been dissolved.

Eleven bids were received
for Nashua, this year's Cham-
pion three-year-old horse, five
of them exceeding \$1,000,000.
The total realised for all 62
horses involved in the Belair
sale was \$1,866,200.

There was no immediate an-
nouncement from Mr. Combe
as to whether Nashua would
race again. Nashua's last race
was at Belmont Park on Octo-
ber 15, when he won the Jockey
Club Gold Cup.

In two years of racing Nashua
won a total of \$945,145 and
stands second only in money
winning to Citation, who earned
a total of \$1,055,700 throughout
his career.

Nashua eclipsed Citation's
record for earnings in a single
year: when he accumulated
\$782,550 in winning virtually
all the classics for three-year-
olds.

Jim Fitzsimmons, trainer for
the Belair stud, last year
made Nashua eligible for the
rich Santa Handicap and
Hialeah's Widener Handicap if
his new owner wanted him to
race. Each of these \$100,000 events
is a "China Mail Special."

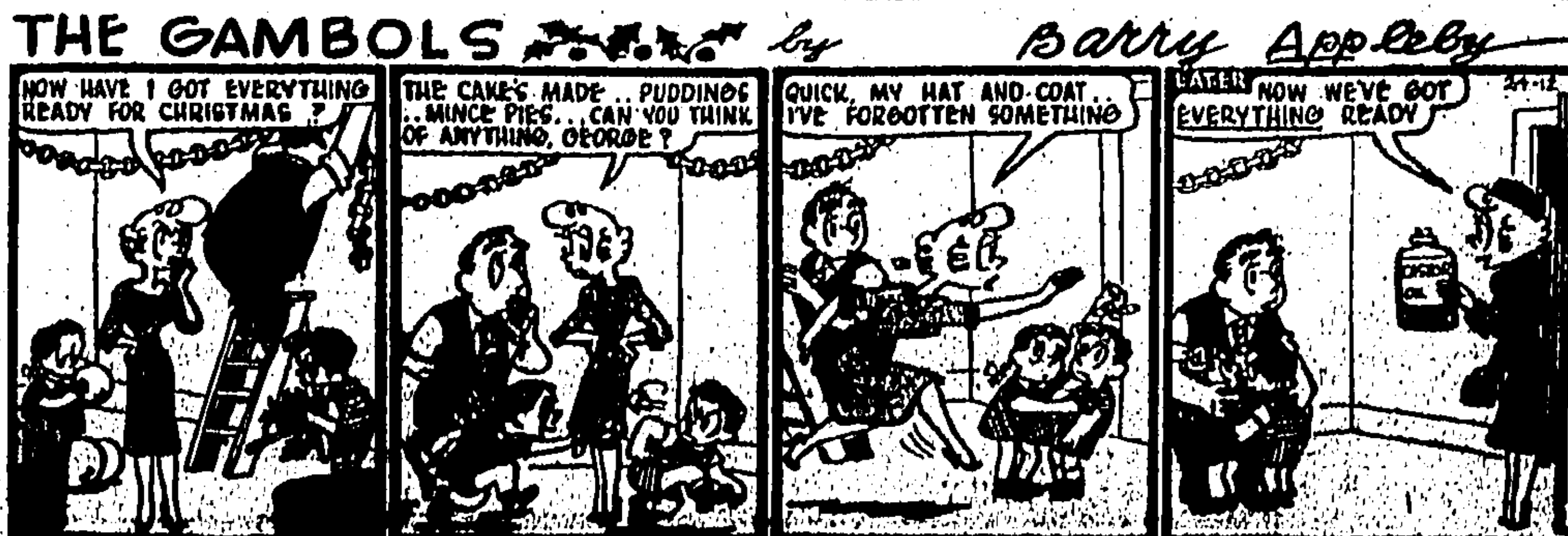
THIRD TEST India Beat Hungary 3-1 At Table Tennis

Bombay, Dec. 15.

India defeated Hungary 3-1
and later defeated the
Singapore in the third test of
the table tennis international
here tonight.

Hungary won the previous
two triangular tests, at Calcutta
and Madras.

The third test to the series of
five will be concluded to-
morrow.



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